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AMEMBASSY BRIDGETOWN PRIORITY

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ENRG BF GJ

SUBJECT: ENERGY: DIESEL FUEL FOR GRENADA

1. THE PRIME MINISTER OF GRENADA HAS CONTACTED PRIME
MINISTER PINDLING TO REQUEST THAT THE US OWNED BAHAMAS
OIL REFINING CO (BORCO) SUPPLY GRENADA WITH DIESEL
FUEL. PINDLING HAS TRANSMITTED THE REQUEST TO BORCO,
AND ASKED FOR A REPLY WITHIN THE NEXT DAY OR TWO.
BEFORE REPLYING TO PINDLING A BORCO EXECUTIVE HAS
CONTACTED THE EMBASSY TO OBTAIN OUR VIEWS. SPECIFICALLY
THEY WONDER IF THIS MAY HAVE ANY POSSIBLE DIPLOMATIC
IMPLICATIONS SINCE THEY UNDERSTAND THAT TRINIDAD HAS
EMBARGOED SHIPMENTS TO GRENADA.

2. EBASSY TOLD BORCO THAT WE SEE SO PARTICULAR PROBLEMS
AS LONG AS IT DOES NOT AFFECT SUPPLIES NEEDED IN THE
U.S. BUT PREFERRED DEFERRING A DEFINITE ANSWER UNTIL
WE COULD CHECK WITH THE STATE DEPT AND EMBASSY BRIDGETOWN.
IN VIEW OF BORCO'S DEADLINE FOR A REPLY, EMBASSY WOULD
APPRECIATE ANY INPUT DEPT OR BRIDGETOWN MAY WISH TO MAKE ASAP.

3. BORCO HAS NO IDEA OF THE QUANTITY IN QUESTION BUT
ASSUMES IT WILL BE SMALL.

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4. EMBASSY'S RESPONSE WILL BE ONLY ONE OF SEVERAL
CONSIDERATIONS. BORCO SEES THE DANGER OF ESTABLISHING
A PRECEDENT UNDER WHICH SIMILAR REQUESTS WILL
BE SENT VIA THE PM FROM OTHER ISLANDS IN THE AREA.
FURTHER THERE MAY BE PRACTICAL DIFFICULTIES, SUCH AS
DELIVERY ETC, WHICH MAY PRECLUDE BORCO'S COMPLYING
WITH THE REQUEST.

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